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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: 19 April 1965

SUBJECT : Industry Capabilities and a Proposal for Work.

25X1A PARTICIPANTS: [REDACTED] from CIA.

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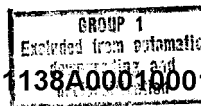
25X1A 1. On 15 April, I was visited by [REDACTED] President of
25X1A [REDACTED] Corporation (formerly Vice President of [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] 25X1A
25X1A [REDACTED]

25X1A 2. Following a general discussion of the technical capabilities of
25X1A their Company, [REDACTED] brought up the subject of using
25X1A Tiros and Nimbus weather photography for intelligence collection. Currently
[REDACTED] has a contract with the Weather Bureau for examination of 25X1A
the photographs for weather predictive purposes. [REDACTED] believes that
these photographs contain more information than is currently being read out.
His theory is that rainfall and other factors can be determined on a nearly
local basis and from this, crop status and surface movement potential
deduced.

25X1A 3. This theory, to be proved, requires calibration. Since [REDACTED] 25X1A
[REDACTED] has a large amount of Tiros and Nimbus photography and, in their
judgment, competent readout personnel, they would like to perform this
calibration. The weather photography is paid for and will continue to be
available at no cost; what is proposed is to put it to use in an additional role,
a procedure which should be relatively inexpensive.

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4. I asked them to submit a proposal outlining their ideas in sufficient detail to permit a CIA evaluation of the feasibility, the accuracy, and the potential intelligence value of the product. This proposal should be available by about 15 May 1965.

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